



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS  
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
TRANSITION TEAM FOR THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION  
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION  
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 381B  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

**Monday, November 24, 2014**

**11:30 AM**

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (14-5481)

**Attachments:** [AUDIO](#)

**Present:** Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz, Hon. Steve Cooley, Patricia Curry, Hon. Margaret Henry, Antonia Jiménez, Richard Martinez and Janet Teague

**Absent:** David Sanders

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

1. Call to Order. (14-5087)

**The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz at 11:33 a.m.**

2. Approval of the November 10, 2014 meeting minutes. (14-5088)

**On motion of Member Janet Teague, seconded by Member Hon. Margaret Henry, there being no objections, this item was approved.**

**Ayes:** 7 - Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz, Patricia Curry, Hon. Margaret Henry, Antonia Jiménez, Richard Martinez and Janet Teague

**Absent:** 2 - Hon. Steve Cooley and David Sanders

**Attachments:** [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

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## **II. DISCUSSIONS AND ACTION ITEMS**

3. Discussion of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Child Protection (BRCCP) recommendations, including the following:
- BRCCP recommendations related to the mental health needs of children and their families.
  - Chief Executive Office's analysis of projected expenditures for children and families. (14-4918)

**Dr. Marvin J. Southard, D.S.W., Director and Gregory Lecklitner, District Chief, Child Welfare Division, Department of Mental Health (DMH) and Philip Browning, Director, Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), addressed the Transition Team and responded to questions related to the mental health needs of foster and at-risk children and their families.**

**Phillip Browning reported that the number of children in the foster care system has decreased; however, behavioral and mental health issues have increased. Mr. Browning indicated that although, DMH and DCFS are working in collaboration to ensure that mental health related needs are met, additional mental health resources are needed.**

**Dr. Southard addressed several areas where increased collaboration between DCFS and DMH is improving service delivery. He provided an overview of Medi-Cal approved claims data including services for the 0-5 age group in Los Angeles County, and described new Medicaid-funded expanded services for caregivers and relatives of children seen by DMH. He discussed concerns regarding responses to children with severe oppositional behavior. Dr. Southard cited co-location of DMH personnel at DCFS regional offices as a major success, as well as current and planned co-location and Welcome Centers. Dr. Lecklitner commented on evidence-based treatment practices for youth with oppositional behavior.**

**After a brief discussion, on motion of Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, and by Common Consent, there being no objection, the Transition Team rescheduled the discussion on the CEO Report to the Board of Supervisors on County expenditures for children and families to a future meeting.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz, Hon. Steve Cooley, Patricia Curry, Hon. Margaret Henry, Antonia Jiménez, Richard Martinez and Janet Teague

**Absent:** 1 - David Sanders

4. Discuss and take appropriate action on the organizational structure and staffing of the Transition Team. (14-4917)

**Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie indicated that the search for the Director of the Office of Child Protection (OCP) continues, and additional information will be provided as it becomes available.**

5. Discussion on presentation to the Board of Supervisors on December 9, 2014. (14-5313)

**Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz reported about the December 9, 2014 presentation to the Board of Supervisors and encouraged members to submit any additional items. Member Antonia Jiménez noted the progress made with PHN's and HUB's.**

### **III. MISCELLANEOUS**

6. Items not on the posted agenda, to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Transition Team subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (14-5302)

**There were no items presented.**

7. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Transition Team on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Transition Team. (14-5303)

**No members of the public addressed the Transition Team.**

8. Adjournment. (14-5304)

**Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz noted the next Transition Team meetings are scheduled for December 8 and December 15, 2014.**

**There being no further business to discuss, on motion of Member Janet Teague, seconded by Member Hon. Margaret Henry, there being no objection, the meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Co-Chair Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, Co-Chair Mitchell H. Katz, Hon. Steve Cooley, Patricia Curry, Hon. Margaret Henry, Antonia Jiménez, Richard Martinez and Janet Teague

**Absent:** 1 - David Sanders